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For:

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR UPGRADING DEVICE DRIVER

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, and §§1.97 and 1.98 as amended, Applicant cites, describes, and provides copies of the following art references:

FOREIGN PATENT REFERENCES:

- Japanese Patent Publication No. 2000-293366 to Yugawa, entitled METHOD FOR
 UPDATING MODULE FOR SET TOP BOX, published on 20 October 2000; and
- Japanese Patent Publication No. 2000-330779 to Yoshida, entitled SYSTEM AND
 METHOD FOR REMOTELY UPDATING FIRMWARE PROGRAM, published on 30
 November 2000.

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OTHER DOCUMENT:

Japanese Office Action from the Japanese Patent Office issued in Applicant's corresponding Japanese Patent Application No. 2001-212113 dated 3 August 2004 (English Abstract is not enclosed).

DISCUSSION

Yugawa JP'366, which was cited in the Japanese Office action issued by the Japanese Patent Office on the 3rd August 2004 in applicant's corresponding Japanese Patent application, discloses that when modules are arranged in a memory 11a of an STB(set top box), free areas 12a to 13c are secured between individual modules. By arranging update data 11b(+) of a module B in a free area 12b at the back of a module B (11b), it is made possible to update the modules with minimum data transfer while only a free area 12b(-) is changed without adding any other change to a memory configuration.

Yoshida JP'779, which was also cited, discloses that this firmware program remote updating system for performing download from a base station to a remote device to update a firmware program is provided with a nonvolatile memory 31 which stores the firmware program of a new version by updating the old part of a stored firmware program of an old version to the new part of the firmware program of a new version and has a save area 31A for saving the old part of the firmware program of the old version and fault processing parts 33 and 33A which rewrite the new part of the firmware program of the new version of the old part of the firmware of the old version in the save area and for performing start with the firmware of the old version when the start of the firmware program of the new version stored in the nonvolatile memory fails.

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The citation of the foregoing references is not intended to constitute an assertion that other

or more relevant art does not exist. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to make a wide-ranging

and thorough search of the relevant art.

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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, and §§1.97 and 1.98 as amended, Applicant cites, provides copies and discusses the following art references:

	US Patent No.	<u>Inventor</u>	<u>Date</u>			
, •	5,580,177	Gase et al.	12/96			
•	5,809,287	Stupek, Jr. et al.	9/98			
•	6,023,585	Perlman et al.	2/2000			
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•	KR1999-0061251	Lee	7/99			
•	JP8-161250	Nakagiri	6/96 *equivalent to EP0716371			
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•	JP9-251355	Yoshioka	9/97			
•	JP10-91500	Tatsutaki	4/98			
•	JP10-171634	Yagi	6/98			
•	JP11-327828	Omura	11/99			
•	JP2000-10787	Kuro et al.	1/2000			

Gase et al.'177 discloses printer/client network with centrally updated printer drivers and printer status monitoring.

Stupek, Jr. et al.'287 discloses automatic computer upgrading.

Perlman et al.'585 discloses automatically selecting and downloading device drivers from a server system to a client system that includes one or more devices.

Lee'251 discloses network system and managing method for a version manager using an internet and a local disk.

Nakagiri'250 discloses information processing apparatus having automatic OS selecting function.

Nakagiri'371 discloses information processing apparatus having automatic OS selecting function.

Yoshioka'355 discloses a printer capable of carrying out the version-up of a printer program without any operation of a user.

Tatsutaki'500 discloses client/server system, differential file down loading method in client/server system and storage medium storing program for differential file down loading.

Yagi'634 discloses information processing terminal and program updating system.

Omura'828 discloses printing controller, driver managing method for the same and storage medium storing program which computer can read.

Kudo et al.'787 discloses program down-loading device and its method.

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English Abstract of Korean Patent Publication No. 1999-0061251

Title: NETWORK SYSTEM FOR A VERSION MANAGER, USING INTERNET AND A LOCAL DISK

Abstract:

The network system is capable of informing the users of the recent version of a computer fil or utility, using internet and a local disk.